

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of:	LEE, Bong-Hoon	Confirmation No.:	6178
Serial No.:	10/562,479	Art Unit:	2883
Filed:	December 23, 2005	Examiner:	Blevins, Jerry M.
For:	TUBE FOR INSTALLING AN OPTICAL FIBER UNIT HAVING LUBRICOUS SURFACE	Attorney Docket No:	11281-090-999
		CAM Number:	702172-999057

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.133, and in response to the Interview Summary mailed on February 28, 2008, Applicants present this Statement of the Substance of the Interview in connection with the telephonic interview of February 19, 2008, between Examiner Blevins and Applicants' attorney Sanghyok Yon regarding the above-identified application.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner interview.

In the interview, the Examiner and attorney for Applicants discussed the rejections of the pending claims 9, 17 and 20. Particularly, attorney for Applicants pointed out that the primary reference, US 2005/0008305 to Brown et al., does not teach each and every element of the claimed invention, nor render the claims obvious. Regarding claim 9, attorney for Applicants pointed out that Brown does not teach a sheath made of polymer with a lower coefficient of friction than polyethylene in order to decrease friction. The examiner agreed. Regarding claim 17, attorney for Applicants pointed out that the recited polymer contains a lubricous component where as Brown does not teach such polymer. The examiner agreed. Regarding claim 20, attorney for Applicants pointed out that Brown does not teach a *single* layer tube made of polymer having a lower coefficient of friction than polyethylene to decrease friction against the optical fiber *as well as* the communication pipe. The examiner

agreed. The Examiner agreed that the presently claimed invention is distinguished from the prior art of record. All other claims depend on the independent claims 9 or 20.

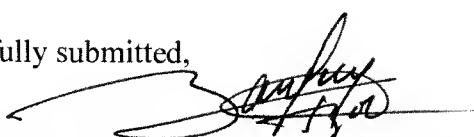
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing and response filed on February 15, 2008, Applicants respectfully request that the rejections be withdrawn. Entry of the foregoing remarks into the record of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. If any issues remain in connection herewith, the Examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned to discuss the same.

No fee is believed to be due with this Statement of Substance of the Interview. However, please charge any fees that may be due or credit any overpayment to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-I0I3.

Date: March 31, 2008

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